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FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY

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1. DCM WAS SUMMONED ON SHORT NOTICE TO MFA AUGUST 15 TO
RECEIVE SOVIET REPLY TO OUR AUGUST 5 ORAL STATMENT ON
BERLIN (AMBASSADOR HAD CONFLCTING APPOINTMENT). SOVIET
ORAL STATEMENT WAS DELIVERED BY ACTING CHIEF OF USA
DIVISION KOMPLEKTOV; BRITISH AMBASSADOR AND FRENCH CHARGE
RECEIVED SIMILAR STATEMENTS FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE ACTING DIVISION
CHIEFS.

2. FOLLOWING READING OF STATEMENT KOMPLEKTOV
ADDED FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS: (1) ESTABLISHMENT OF
FEA WAS PURELY POLITICAL STEP; THERE WAS NO PRACTICAL
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NEED FOR IT; (2) AS KUZNETSOV HAD TOLD AMBASSADOR

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STOESSEL, USSR WAS NOT INCLUDED WHEN THREE POWERS
INTERPRETED THE QA ON ESTABLISHMENT OF FEA; AND
(3) THERE WAS NO INTERFERENCE WITH CIVILIAN TRAFFIC
AS SUCH; MEASURES WERE TAKEN STRICTLY IN RELATION TO
ESTABLISHMENT OF FEA. DCM COUNTERED ALLEGATION THAT
ESTABLISHMENT OF FEA OFFICE WAS IN VIOLATION OF QA
AS WELL AS OTHER MAIN ELEMENTS OF ORAL STATEMENT AND
KOMPLEKTOV'S ADDITIONS, EMPHASIZING PARTICULARLY
ABSENCE OF GDR RIGHTS (PER THIRD PARAGRAPH OF
ALLIED AUGUST 5 STATEMENT) AND OBLIGATION OF SOVIET
UNION TO ENSURE UNIMPEDED TRANSIT.

3. TEXT OF ORAL STATEMENT FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT: IN CONNECTION WITH THE ORAL STATEMENT
OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
GREAT BRITAIN, AND FRANCE OF AUGUST 5, 1974, THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET
SOCIALIST REPUBLICS WOULD LIKE TO CALL ATTENTION
TO THE FOLLOWING:

THE SOVIET SIDE CANNOT AGREE WITH THE REASONING
OF THE THREE POWERS ABOUT THE JUSTIFICATION
OF AN INVALID ACT--THE ESTABLISHMENT BY THE FEDERAL
REPUBLIC OF GERMANY IN WEST BERLIN OF THE FEDERAL
ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY. THE CREATION OF THIS AGENCY
IS A VIOLATION OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT
OF SEPTEMBER 3, 1971, AND, IN PARTICULAR, OF
THE POINTS STIPULATED IN PART II, SECTION C,
ANNEX II AND ALSO IN PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 4 OF
PART I OF THE AGREEMENT.

THE SOVIET SIDE WOULD RECALL THAT IT REPEATEDLY
WARNED THE THREE WESTERN POWERS OF THE
CONSEQUENCES WHICH THE ILLEGAL ESTABLISHMENT BY
THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY OF THE
ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY IN WEST BERLIN COULD
LEAD TO. UNFORTUNATELY, THE THREE WESTERN
POWERS DID NOT CONSIDER OUR PERTINENT CONSIDERATIONS
AND, MOREOVER, CONSIDERED IT POSSIBLE TO SANCTION
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THIS STEP BY THE FRG.

IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT IN THESE CONDITIONS THE
SOVIET UNION COULD NOT BE A DISINTERESTED
OBSERVER OF THE VIOLATION OF THE QUADRILATERAL
AGREEMENT AND WAS FORCED TOGETHER WITH THE FRIENDLY
GDR TO ADOPT MEASURES FOR PROTECTING THE LEGAL
RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF BOTH THE USSR AND THE GDR.

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THE STEPS OF THE GDR WIICH ARE DISCUSSED IN THE
STATEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE THREE POWERS
ARE AN ANSWER TO THE VIOLATION OF THE
QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT. THERE IS NO DOUBT AS
TO THEIR LEGALITY. THE POSITION OF THE GDR IS
SUPPORTED AND SHARED BY THE SOVIET UNION.

CONCERNING THE VIEWPOINT OF THE THREE POWERS
RELATIVE TO THE POWERS AND COMPETENCE OF THE
GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, THE SOVIET SIDE WOULD
LIKE TO CALL ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT THE ROUTES
ALONG WHICH PASSES THE TRANSIT OF CIVILIAN PERSONS AND
GOODS BETWEEN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN AND
THE FRG LIE ON THE TERRITORY OF THE GDR.
MOVEMENT ALONG THEM IS REGULATED BY THE GDR IN
ACCORDANCE WITH ITS SOVEREIGN LAWS AND INTERNATIONAL
AGREMENTS IN FORCE, WHICH MUST BE OBSERVED BY
ALL SIDES.

THE SOVIET GOVERNEMNT WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE AGAIN
THAT IT STRICTLY OBSERVES THE QUADRIPARTITE
AGREEMENT. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THIS AGREEMENT
BE CAREFULLY OBSERVED IN ALL ITS PARTS BY ALL
INTERESTED PARTIES. MEASURES TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE GDR AND SUPPORTED BY THE SOVIET UNION ARE
DICTATED BY CONCERN FOR GUARANTEEING THE NORMAL
FUNCTIONING OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT AND BY
AN EFFORT NOT TO ALLOW MISUSE OF THIS AGREEMENT.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOVIET UNION HAS
ADVOCATED AND IS ADVOCATING THAT, IN QUESTIONS
CONCERNING WEST BERLIN, CONFLICTS NOT ARISE,
AND DECLARES ITS READINESS TO DO EVERYTHING
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NECESSARY TO AVOID THEIR ARISING. IT EXPRESSES
THETHE HOPE THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE USA, GREAT
BRITAIN, AND FRANCE WILL FOR THEIR PART ACT
IN A SIMILAR MANNER. END TEXT.
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